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SUBJECT An Interview with Admiral Turner

DAVID HARTMAN: It's 17 minutes after 7:00 right now. If you've been reading the employment section of the Sunday papers in the past month, you might have come across this ad: "We are looking for you special men and women who still have a spirit of adventure." Unquote.

The Central Intelligence Agency has been running that ad in newspapers all across the United States. And this morning Stansfield Turner, who is the Director of the CIA, is in our Washington studio with Steve Bell to talk about the agency's recruitment program. Admiral, welcome back.

DIRECTOR STANSFIELD TURNER: Good morning, David.

HARTMAN: First of all, you're looking, according to the ad, and I'm quoting again, for "bright, self-reliant, self-motivated people." You're looking really, it seems, for the best and the brightest.

In the past ten years, with the reputation, the image of the CIA sullied, damaged, diminished, if you will, in part during this period, why should the young people, the best and the brightest, consider going to work for you?

ADMIRAL TURNER: Because we have tremendous opportunities to offer young people today. We provide opportunities to live overseas, to serve our country, to be involved in the significant events in our country and in our time. And most of all, we provide people an opportunity to serve their country and to serve it well.